BALL JANIK LLP

1455 F STREET, NW, SUITE 225 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

www.balljanik.com

Telephone 202-638-3307 FACSIMILE 202-783-6947 February 24, 2006 lgitomer@dc.bjllp.com

Ms. Victoria Rutson Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W., Room 700 Washington, D. C. 20423

ATTN: Mr. David Navecky

RE: Finance Docket No. 34421, HolRail LLC-Construction and Operation Exemption—in Orangeburg and Dorchester Counties, South Carolina Finance Docket No. 34421 (Sub-No. 1), Petition for Crossing Authority Under 49 U.S.C. § 10901(d)

Dear Ms Rutson:

LOUIS E. GITOMER

Of COUNSEL

(202) 466-6532

On February 23, 2006, the Section of Environmental Analysis ("SEA") notified the public of the Final Scope of Study for the Environmental Impact Statement (the "Scope Study") in the above-entitled proceeding. CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") respectfully requests that you reconsider the Scope Study to include a third construction alternative that is identified and described by HolRail LLC in the Supplement it filed with the Surface Transportation Board on September 9, 2006. The third alternative is a construction west of the CSXT property and outside of Four Hole Swamp. The third alternative can be modified by moving the yard east of the CSXT property in the vicinity of the Holcim (US) Inc. facility in Holly Hill, SC, in order to avoid the traffic problem HolRail claims such an alternative would create.

CSX Transportation, Inc. submits by efiling this request. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, call or email me.

Louis E. Gitomer

Sincerely you

Attorney for CSX Transportation, Inc.

cc: Mr. Moreno